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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BRAZIL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: National Institute of Metrology, Standardisation and Industrial Quality-INMETRO Telephone: +(55) 21 2563.2821 Telefax: +(55) 21 2502.6542 Email: pontofocal.tbt.omc@inmetro.gov.br Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Power cables with PVC extruded solid isolation (HS 85.44)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Portaria número 51 de 28 de março de 2002 (Ministerial Act number 51, March 28 th , 2002), issued by Inmetro, on the conformity assessment procedures for power cables with PVC extruded solid isolation. (10 pages, in Portuguese).
6.	Description of content: Technical Regulation laying down conformity assessment procedures for power cables with PVC extruded solid isolation for voltages up to 1 kV, either produced in the country or imported and which are marketed in Brazil. It also establishes that: (a) Power cables with PVC extruded solid isolation for voltages up to 1 kV must clearly show compliance with Brazilian Standard NBR/ABNT 7288/1994 - Cabos de potência com isolamento sólida extrudada de cloreto de polivinila (PVC) ou polietileno (PE) para tensões de 1 kV a 6 kV. (Power cables with polyvinyl chloride (PVC) or polyethylene (PE) extruded solid isolation for voltages from 1 to 6kV) (b) Marketing, by producers and importers, of those products in disagreement with this technical resolution will be allowed until no later than 31 August 2002. Retail and wholesale marketing are allowed until no later than 1 March 2003.

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Conformity assessment procedures and consumer's safety.
8.	Relevant documents: : Portaria número 51 de 28 de março de 2002; NBR/ABNT 7288/1994 - Cabos de potência com isolamento sólida extrudada de cloreto de polivinila (PVC) ou polietileno (PE) para tensões de 1 kV a 6 kV.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } 30 March 2002
10.	Final date for comments: Not stated.
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: http://www.inmetro.gov.br/articulacoes/pontofocal/buscaNotificacao.asp